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Presented for filing is a new patent application claiming priority from a provisional:

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Title: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR THIN-SHELL FINITE-ELEMENT
ANALYSIS

Enclosed are the following papers, including those required to receive a filing date
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| | <u>Pages</u> |
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| Claims | 6 |
| Abstract | 1 |
| Declaration | [To be Filed at a Later Date] |
| Drawing(s) | 13 |

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Under 35 USC §119(e)(1), this application claims the benefit of prior U.S.
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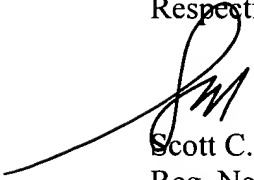
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